

Welcome to the Santa Barbara Front County Trail System!

Safe use of front county trails requires all users to follow common trail etiquette practices. It is likely that you will encounter other visitors enjoying a variety of recreational activities. A little trail education and courtesy goes a long, long way!

All Trail Users

Be courteous and polite.
Be aware of other users on the trail.
Pack out what you pack in.
Do not use muddy trails.
Obey all posted signs and rules.
Stay on designated trails.
If you are approaching from behind, alert other trail users of your presence and pass only when it safe to do so.
Never cut switch backs or create short cuts.

Hikers and Runners

Always yield to equestrians.
Be alert for approaching bicyclists
Stop and wait for equestrians to pass or signal you through.
Please keep children in site at all times.
Do not camp or make campfires.

Mountain Bicyclists

Always be prepared to yield the trail to all other trail users.
Always use a bike bell.
Control your speed at all times and approach turns in anticipation of others.
Avoid skidding, practice trail riding techniques that minimize impacts.
When encountering equestrians and hikers on narrow trails, stop and wait for them to pass or signal you through.
Horses and slower moving individuals may be startled by faster moving trail users. Make your presence know well in advance, particularly when approaching from behind.

Equestrians

Know the trails you are riding and the level of difficulty.
Know your riding ability and be sure your horse is trail seasoned. Ride within you and your horse's capabilities.
When you encounter other trail users, inform them of the safest way to pass.
Clean up manure at trailheads and scatter manure on trails when possible.

Trail Users with dogs

Dogs may be off leash, however your dog must be within sight and under verbal control at all times.
Dogs by law must be under control.
Do not allow your dog to chase wildlife.
Have a leash with you, in case you needed it.
Always clean up after your dog!

Be an educated participant of the rules of the trail!

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